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"SITUATION EXTREMELY GRAVE."

BOLSHEVİK DETERMINATION TO CAPTURE WARSAW.

PROPOSED TRUCE REFUSED.

LONDON, August 8.

The situation is extremely grave and the Hythe Conference has no doubt that the Bolsheviks mean to capture Warsaw and then establish Soviet government. The news is confirmed that Mr. Lloyd George presented a memorandum to M. Kameneff on Friday regarding the terms of the proposed truce with the object of enabling the terms of peace between Russia and Poland to be discussed. It was proposed that truce should be declared for ten days from mid-night August 9 and 10 and that orders should be issued from Moscow and Warsaw that the Polish and Russian armies should halt on the line on which they stand and cease fighting.

ALLIES' GUARANTEE.

The memorandum guarantees that during the period between the cessation of hostilities and the signature of peace the Allies will take no steps to send troops to Poland or supply the Polish arms with war material. It was also agreed that the Soviet should be allowed to send reinforcements behind the Polish lines in order to satisfy themselves that no reinforcements or war material were being supplied to Poland. The memorandum further stipulated that on the cessation of hostilities the Russian and Polish armistice delegates should meet to define the line of demarcation between the Polish and Polish armies until the conclusion of peace and to draw up conditions of the armistice as a preliminary to peace negotiations.

ALLIES' CONSIDERING NECESSARY ACTION.

Several messages have now been received from Moscow which has definitely declined to agree to the proposed terms. The Bolsheviks declare that they are meeting the Poles on Wednesday. They prefer to make their own arrangements with the Poles. The Conference has therefore referred the matter to its naval and military advisers who will present their report to-morrow when the Conference will consider what action shall be taken in the circumstances.

Mr. Lloyd George is deferring the making of a statement in the House of Commons till Tuesday. The French delegation is expected to leave Hythe to-morrow afternoon.

ALLIES NOT WANTED.

LONDON, August 9.

A Russian wireless message to Britain says that the Polish Government announced its readiness to send delegates to Minsk to conclude an armistice and peace preliminaries. The Bolshevik Government therefore expresses the belief that the object of the Allies, namely the cessation of hostilities and the establishment of peaceful relations between Russia and Poland on the basis of the full independence of Poland will be attained most speedily and through direct negotiations. The Bolshevik Government is of the opinion that the Allies undoubtedly acknowledge their object to be fully covered by the impending Russo-Polish conference at Minsk. The contents of the above note are regarded as practically amounting to a rejection of Allied participation in the Russo-Polish settlement.

GERMANY SEEKING TROUBLE.

LONDON, August 8.

Indications are growing that Germany is seeking to intensify Poland's difficulties. Following on Herr Simons' speech a notable manifesto signed by all classes of German socialists has been issued. Referring to the growing rumours of Allied troops concentrating on the Rhine it calls on German workers to use every means to prevent the passage of troops and war material across Germany to Poland.

HISTORY REPEATING ITSELF?

At the same time *Echo de Paris* publishes the text of the German note to Poland drawing attention to the collisions between the Poles and Germans in ex-German territory and requesting that steps be taken to prevent the aggravation of friction. The *Echo de Paris* regards the note as reflecting a desire to pick a quarrel on the same lines as Austria did with Serbia in 1914. A message from Warsaw says that speculation is rife regarding the real object of the note and the alleged incidents in view of the fact that order has been remarkably well maintained in the area complained of. It is suggested that the Germans are seeking a pretext to occupy Polish Pomerania.

BOLSHEVİK PRETEXTS.

WARSAW, August 7.

It is officially alleged that the Moscow wireless station has twice declined to receive the latest Polish note on the pretext first of an alteration in the hours for the reception of messages and secondly on the ground of atmospheric disturbances which the Poles state do not exist.

FIERCE FIGHTING.

LONDON, August 7.

A Polish communique suggests that the Polish counter-move continues. In the neighbourhood of Drohiczyn the Poles gained ground. In the neighbourhood of Drohiczyn the Poles succeeded in driving enemy detachments which crossed the Bug back to the north bank after particularly fierce fighting. On the river Sereth the Bolshevik attacks were repulsed while Ukrainian detachments are successfully continuing to counterattack. The communique declares that the town of Brody has been completely sacked by the Bolsheviks.

CABINET MEETING SUMMONED.

HYTHE, August 8.

At 4.30 p.m. two messages were received from Moscow at Lympe where the conference is being held. Neither is definite in character but both indicate that the Soviet will refuse the proposed terms.

LYMPNE, August 9.

An official statement issued at 12.30 o'clock this afternoon states that the conference is still sitting but arrangements hold for the departure of M. Millerand and Marshal Foch at 2.30 p.m.

Mr. Lloyd George has summoned a Cabinet meeting for 6 six o'clock to-night at Downing Street when he will lay the whole situation before his colleagues.

POLISH SOCIALISTS IMPASSIONED APPEAL.

LONDON, August 7.

The Polish Socialists have issued an impassioned counterblast to the anti-Polish manifestos of the British and other Labourites imploring them to oppose the national murder which is being perpetrated on Poland by the Red Army, whose object is to ruin the independence of its neighbours as already done in Lithuania and the Ukraine. Who dares to reproach the Polish Socialists for wishing to save the independence of their country? concludes the appeal.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

AMERICAN CABLE DISPUTE.

LONDON, August 8th.
Five United States destroyers are patrolling the Florida coast off Miami, with orders from President Wilson to prevent the British cableship *Colonia* from landing cable which the Western Union Telegraph Company is laying to connect with the British cable from Barbados to South America.

It is explained that the American Government's action is taken in order to prevent the landing of the cable before the meeting of the International Communications Congress at Washington on September 15th.

The State Department says that a British cable company has the virtual monopoly of cable rights in Brazilian waters, although an American concern desires to construct a direct line from the United States to Brazil. Action has therefore been deferred upon the Western Union Company's application for permission to land its Barbados cable on the Florida coast pending the State Department's settling the question whether the terms of its contract with the British company would not further extend the British monopoly.

GOVERNOR COX SUPPORTS LEAGUE.

DARTON (Ohio), August 8th.
Stirring scenes were witnessed on the occasion of Governor Cox's speech accepting the Democratic nomination for the Presidency. The speech was easily audible to the whole audience, owing to the employment of an electric sound amplifier. Governor Cox declared himself an unequivocal supporter of the League of Nations, and accused the Senatorial Cabal of plotting in the midst of war to undo President Wilson's work, in order to prevent the Democrats from winning the coming election. He criticised the Republican declaration as regards the League as interpreted by Senator Harding, by asserting that it is simply meant separate peace with Germany.

Governor Cox said that it will be the most disheartening event in civilisation since Russia's separate peace with Germany, and will be, in all circumstances, an infinitely unwelcome action. He declared that Senator Harding's words, proposed to remain out of the League.

After dwelling on the possible consequences of such an action, Governor Cox referred to domestic problems, and favoured the reduction of taxation, and suggested that one way of raising funds would be the tax of a 10 per cent. on the business sales. This would affect the profits. He also favoured carrying the St. Lawrence waterway to the Atlantic as an outlet for the States lying about the Great Lakes.

MEXICAN FESMENT.

MEXICO CITY, August 8th.
Special ships will be chartered armed with guns to transport and cover a landing force of 3,000 Yaqui Indians, who are being sent to Lower California to suppress General Cantu's insurrection. Puerto Isabel in the extreme north of Sonora has been selected as the point at which to concentrate the expedition.

General Cantu, on July 29th, offered to surrender the Governorship of the Northern District of Lower California within a fortnight. General Huerta ceases to send troops into Lower California.

FLYING RECORD.

SAN ANTONIO (TEXAS), August 8th.
Lieutenant Waddington, with seven passengers, created a record by going up 19,000 feet in an aeroplane.

AUTONOMY FOR PORTUGUESE COLONIES.

LISBON, August 6th.
The Chamber has adopted a bill granting administrative autonomy in, and creating High Commissioners for, the Portuguese Colonies. The Chamber accepted the Senate's amendments in connection with the bill. The Minister of the Colonies tabled a bill defining the duties of the Colonial High Commissioners.

-BELGIUM.

BRUSSELS, August 6th.
The Chamber has passed the bill for the official use of the Flemish language, by 85 votes to 43, and also passed a bill, unanimously, to pay a gratuity to all war combatants.

SURRENDERED GERMAN SHIPS.

LONDON, August 6th.
The battle-cruiser *Hood* has arrived at the Firth of Forth, having been taken by the surrendered German dreadnought *Holtzendorf* and *Westfalen* and twelve destroyers.

POLAND'S PERIL.

LONDON, August 8th.
Labour demonstrations have been arranged for to-day in many parts of England to protest against the Allies helping Poland. The Women's Cooperative Guild, numbering 44,000 members, has issued a manifesto, declaring, "We are not prepared to see our men sacrificed any longer to the ambitions and jealousies of governments."

Telegraphic exchanges are actively continuing between Great Britain, France and Washington about the tentative Allied suggestion of American aid to Poland. Details are carefully guarded.

Mr. Gibson, the American Minister to Poland, at present holidaying in Los Angeles, has been ordered to return to Warsaw.

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MISTRESS AND AMAH

A PEAK QUARREL

At the Magistracy this morning, an amah employed by Major Carter, a resident of the Peak Hotel, sued Miss Stormon, assistant manageress of that hotel for assault.

Miss Stormon cross-summoned the complainant also for breach of the peace and assault.

Mr. D. J. Lewis appeared for Miss Stormon and Mr. K. Lo for the amah.

The amah said that on the morning of the 2nd inst. while washing clothes in the yard she made the remark that the weather was foggy. Miss Stormon, who was passing at the time, told her to shut up. Witness replied that she was only making a casual remark about the weather. Miss Stormon, who evidently did not understand Chinese, thereupon assaulted her, bruising her arm and tearing her clothing.

By Mr. Lo; Witness had very good references from her previous employers, among them being Mrs. Alabaster.

Mr. Lo pointed out that as far as the general character of the amah was concerned there was nothing against her.

Mr. Lewis said that the whole facts of the case were as follows—Miss Stormon was in the linen room on Monday morning when an amah came in and told her that there was a quarrel among some amahs in the private servants' quarters. She went out to see what was the matter. These quarrels, said counsel, were a common occurrence at the beginning of every month when outside servants came to the private servants' quarters of the hotel. In order to get to the servants' quarters, Miss Stormon had to pass a narrow passage. In this passage were four washing tubs, arranged in such a way as to block the whole passage. Miss Stormon called to one of the amahs to remove the tubs to allow her to pass, but no notice was taken of her order. Becoming annoyed, Miss Stormon pushed one of the tubs with her foot. It upset, throwing all the washing into a side drain. The complainant thereupon rushed at Miss Stormon and tried to claw her. Miss Stormon pushed her away. The amah then said that she intended to complain to Mrs. Blair and Miss Stormon invited her to do so. Counsel said that the complainant must have become angry because her morning's work was spoiled, and that was why she went for Miss Stormon.

His Worship said that he would proceed with the case.

The amah, cross-examined by Mr. Lewis said that there was no quarrel among the amahs that morning. Shortly after 11 a.m. when Miss Stormon came down, she had just started washing the clothes. There was one tub out of the way. Her washing was not upset into the drain. She did not see Miss Stormon push any of the tubs with her foot. Miss Stormon had no reason for assaulting witness.

An amah gave evidence bearing out the complainant's statement. She said that she was standing outside the latrine when Miss Stormon came down. She heard the amah remark about the weather being foggy. Miss Stormon shouted to the amah in English "No noise," and the amah replied in Chinese that she was not making a noise. Miss Stormon who evidently did not know Chinese, thought the amah was abusing her and went for her. She pressed the amah against the wall and hit her several times. She also attempted to kick the amah.

By Mr. Smith: She did not see Miss Stormon kick any of the tubs over.

By Mr. Lewis: She was not a wash amah. She happened to be downstairs at the time of the quarrel and saw it. There were no outside servants in the servants' quarters excepting a friend of the amah who had been staying there for a long time. Witness denied that this woman had come to collect debts.

Mr. Lewis: I put it to you that there was a quarrel and that was why Miss Stormon came out into the yard?—No.

Then why did Miss Stormon come out from her room at that time?—She used to come downstairs pretty often and at all times, for no special reason. There were always some wash tubs outside the servants' quarters. Witness did not hear Miss Stormon tell any of the amah to move the tubs.

Did you see the complainant try to strike and claw Miss Stormon?—No.

Witness also said that she did not see the complainant pick up a stool and attempt to strike Miss Stormon with it.

Major Carter said that the amah had been in his employ for over a month and was always a peaceful woman. She was an excellent wash amah, and had given witness no trouble whatever.

The Magistrate said that he thought it was not a grave affair after all.

Mr. Lewis said that the only point was that the hotel had no control over the amahs employed by the residents, and the management took a serious view of any misconduct on the part of these amahs.

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Mr. Lo said that he would like to have Miss Stormon in the witness box as he had some questions to ask her.

Miss Stormon, in the witness box, said that she had been with the hotel since February last. She then gave evidence bearing out Mr. Lewis' earlier statement and said that she saw a stranger in the amahs' quarters. She was sitting in one of the amahs' room. The assault on her happened so quickly, said witness, that she did not know who did it. When she said she would telephone for the police, the amah picked up a stool and wanted to strike her with it. She pushed her off.

By Mr. Smith: There was no actual fighting among the amahs, but they were talking in such a way, that it appeared to witness that they were going to fight at any time. It was not a wet morning and there was, no reason for putting the tubs in the passage.

By Mr. Lo: Witness pushed the amah away from her.

Mr. Lo: If you did not assault her, how do you account for the injuries to her left arm?—This is the first I have heard about it.

Mr. Lo: What about the clothing, was that also a theatrical make up by the complainant?—I don't know. My strength is nothing and I could not have hurt her by a push.

Mr. Lo: Do you remember assaulting and amah on July 28 when she came to the hotel by the main entrance to see her mistress who occupied Room No. 61? You assaulted her because she was unable to give you her mistress's name?—No such thing ever occurred. Room No. 61, had been occupied by a gentleman ever since I joined the hotel.

Replying to further questions the witness denied that she became excited whenever she saw strangers. Strict supervision was kept over the servants by Mrs. Blairs' order.

Mr. Lo: Do you remember assaulting a shoemaker who went to the hotel on business?—I never did assault a shoemaker.

Addressing the magistrate, Mr. Lo said that the remark made by Mr. Lewis earlier in the case to the effect that he did not wish the case to be dealt with in any compromise because a stop must be made to quarrels between servants, was applicable to the case of the amah with greater force. Had she not been assaulted for no reason whatever and by a person occupying such a responsible position as Miss Stormon.

If Miss Stormon would stop assaulting people, there would be no trouble.

Continuing, Counsel said that when he cross-examined Miss Stormon, she said that some of the other amahs must have seen the complainant assault her, and yet she was unable to produce any one to give evidence in her favour. Counsel submitted that it was inconceivable that the amah and her witnesses would deliberately commit perjury for no reason whatever. There must be more in the case than met the eye.

What he would submit was that the case was this. Miss Stormon did not know Chinese and misunderstood the amah's remark about the weather for an insult and assaulted her.

Mr. Lewis said that the fact that the amah possessed some good references and had given Major Carter no trouble during the short period she had been in his employ, did not prove that she was peaceful. The complainant was excited over the quarrel between the other amahs and when Miss Stormon upset her washing, she became desperate and went for her.

The Magistrate dismissed the summons, and without hearing the cross-examination, took the unusual course of binding the amah over to be of good behaviour for 6 months in the sum of \$50.

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SITUATION EXTREMELY GRAVE.

PEACE OR WAR?

LONDON, August 8.

Mr. Lloyd George, Lord Curzon, Field Marshal Wilson, and other British experts have arrived at Hythe. An optimistic feeling prevails regarding the nature of the Russian reply which is expected in the course of Sunday, but a sense of uncertainty remains until its receipt. The *Observer's* diplomatic correspondent exactly defines the position when he says that "by evening we shall know whether it will be peace or war."

The Poles continue to issue voluminous communiques from which it is gathered that the Poles are busily engaged in repulsing Bolshevik attacks on various sectors, frequently making counter-attacks. The *Sunday Express* understands that the Government has proposed to Moscow a 10-day truce with Poland.

A STARTLING SPEECH.

LONDON, August 7.

Germany is watching the Polish crisis as eagerly as the Entente. The keynote of her policy was struck by a brief but startling speech by the Foreign Minister, Herr Simons in the Reichstag, declaring that he would use his utmost powers to prevent any infringement of German neutrality by the transport of Entente troops to Poland and hinting almost in a threatening tone at Franco-German tension. The newspapers express entire approval of this policy.

GERMAN SATISFACTION.

The excitement produced in Germany by the speech was somewhat lessened by the belief that the Allies, realizing that any endeavour to transport arms or munitions will evoke wholesale sabotage and obstruction, to say nothing of armed resistance, will abstain from such an attempt. Still, the German papers do not conceal their satisfaction at the prospect of a break-down of the Polish buffer between Germany and Russia and the collapse of one of the main pillars of the Versailles Treaty.

GERMANY AND RUSSIA.

BERLIN, Aug. 8.

The Foreign Minister, Herr von Simons, in a newspaper interview, said that Germany was prepared to resume diplomatic relations with Soviet Russia immediately satisfaction was given for the murder of Count Mirbach, German ambassador to Russia in 1918. He added that Germany had given permission to the Soviet economic representatives to enter Germany. Herr Chicherin poured cold water on the intentions of German immigrants to enter Russia.

IMPERIAL PRESS CONFERENCE.

BONDS OF EMPIRE.

OTTAWA, August 8.

At the Press Conference, Mr. Gilbert Parker declared that the Imperial partnership had been long founded upon consent. If Canada desired to withdraw from it no gun would be fired to prevent her, but granting responsible government to the Dominions had strengthened their determination to remain members of the British commonwealth.

Sir G. Toulmin expressed confidence in the unwritten constitution of the whole Empire being gradually evolved.

PAPER SUPPLIES.

An interesting discussion ensued on the question of paper supplies ending in the adoption of a resolution calling the appointment of a standing committee to take steps to ensure adequate supplies of paper throughout the Empire. Representative of paper manufacturers promised to consider the suggestion of a larger allotment of paper to Africa.

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EMPLOYEE SUED FOR NOTICE.

Before Magistrate Hutchison this morning, a rattan worker was charged with leaving his master's employ without giving notice.

The defendant denied the charge and said he was dismissed by his master after a quarrel. He was told that his services would be dispensed with. He took his master at his word. As soon as he found another job, in Wanchai, he left, telling his master he was going. Had his master wanted notice from him, he could have demanded it then, but he kept quiet, thus giving him (defendant) the impression that he had no objection to his leaving.

Mr. F. E. Nash, who appeared for the prosecution, said that the defendant left owing his master \$42.92 which he had overdrawn from his wages.

His Worship said he did not understand how the defendant could have been allowed to overdraw to that extent.

Counsel explained that it was the custom among rattan furniture manufacturers to give their employees an advance on their wages. When a man wanted to leave the employ of his master, he had either to refund the advance or work the money off. The defendant had failed to do either, and that was why his client was proceeding against him.

His Worship remarked that it sounded to him like slavery.

Counsel: It is the universal and recognised practice.

The complainant in the witness box denied that he had had a quarrel with the defendant, or that he had said anything to him which could be taken as a dismissal. The defendant left him without notice. He made enquiries and found that the defendant was working for a rattan shop in Wanchai, and took out a summons against him.

The defendant, in the witness box, repeated his previous statement about being dismissed by his master. He said that a man named Lai Tsun discovered from the firm's books that he was owing the firm some money and refused to let him leave. The dispute was taken before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs and the latter dismissed the case.

By Mr. Nash: Lai Tsun made some entries in his books and alleged that I had taken loans from the firm. While I refuse to verify that allegation, I cannot dispute it. He has an advantage over me.

Mr. Nash: Is it not a practice in your trade to make advance to employees when they join the service?—Yes if they ask for such an advance. I did not ask for any advance, and did not take any amount from the firm beyond my wages.

After a witness had given evidence to the effect that he saw the defendant and the complainant quarrel, and heard the latter tell him to find another job, Mr. Nash submitted to the Magistrate that it was inconceivable that his client would, in view of the fact that the defendant was owing him such a large sum of money, dismiss him from his employ without first either asking him to refund the money or to work it off. He asked the Magistrate to say that the defendant had left his client's employ without giving notice. The Magistrate reserved his decision until to-morrow morning.

"ETERNAL TRIANGLE."

TWO MEN AND A WOMAN.

DESPERATE LOVER ATTEMPTS SUICIDE.

Before Magistrate Hutchison this morning, a Chinese was charged with attempting to commit suicide by jumping into the harbour from the Praya.

The defendant denied that he had attempted to take his own life. He said that he was walking along the Praya yesterday, when his interest was attracted by the beauty of a shop window. He looked at it as he walked, and unknowingly strayed to the edge of the Praya wall. Before he was aware of his danger, he had fallen into the harbour.

The Police said that defendant's action was due to a girl whom a friend had brought with him from Canton. The defendant fell in love with the girl and she with him. He prevailed upon her to run away from her master and live with him. The friend traced the lovers, and there was a quarrel as a result of which the men came to blows.

Both men appeared before the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, who placed the girl in the care of the Po Leung Kuk. Mutual grief begot sympathy, and the men made up their difference. They lived in the same house, and did their best to console each other over the loss of the beauty.

Yesterday they had a talk about the girl with whom they were both very much in love. Suddenly, the defendant got up, and without saying a word put on his coat and left the house. Suspecting that he was going to do something desperate, the friend followed him and saw him jump into the harbour. He (the friend) jumped in after the defendant and rescued him.

The Magistrate discharged the defendant with a caution.

GIRTON'S BLACK PROSPECT.

LOOMING TERROR OF CAP AND GOWN.

The girls of Newnham and Girton are possibly enjoying their last frilly and bejumpered May-week, writes a Cambridge correspondent.

Plans for the founding of a separate University for Cambridge women students, run on parallel lines to the men's, may materialise, and they will have to wear their stiff academic caps and gowns instead of silken jumpers and crisp muslins at all University affairs, just like their men colleagues. Even if the girls should be admitted at last as members of the University proper, they would still have to forfeit all their pretty feminine fripperies at the "Varsity sports and races."

This devastating change may occur next year, as everybody agree here that the old order is bound to collapse soon.

There is also the terrifying prospect of women "proctors" in full regalia, accompanied by regulation women "bulldogs," high-hatted and all complete. The men say they simply could not stand being kept in order by women proctors, and that is one of the chief obstacles put forward by the men students against conferring on the girls the privileges of full University life.

ROMANCE.

Although the University men and the girls of Newnham and Girton treat each other collectively with extreme hauteur and disdain, there are many warm and even romantic friendships among individuals. The girls are the guests of the men during May Week, and the dainty frocks procured from London for the dances and river festivities bear witness to the fact that the college girl of to-day is a very real girl. Several inter-collegiate engagements, one quite recently between an Emanuel man and a Girton girl, have been announced, and this May Week is expected to be productive of many more.

Some of the students of the weaker, though admittedly brainy, sex are of a pacifist turn of mind, and have made a few attempts to "patch up" the ancient feeling of sex enmity. A woman's rowing eight which had been practising the other day for a race with a London woman's college, tried to make peaceful overtures to some Varsity men at one of the landing stages. The young men, however, were not "taking any," and walked away with their heads in the air, leaving eight very discomfited damsels.

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" Tongue, fresh, -Ngau Li each 50		" Pigeons, Canton, -Pak Kap, each	25
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" Head, -Ngau Tai, each \$1.00		" Turkey, Cook, -Fo Kai Kung lb.	60
" Heart, -Ngau Sam, lb.	12	" Turkey, Hen, -Fo Kai Na	" 35
" Hump, Salt, -Ngau Kim	" 17	" Snipe, -Sha Tai, each	" 35
" Feet, -Ngau Keek, each	9	" Pheasant, -Sha Kai, each	" 35
" Kidneys, -Ngau Yiu	" 9	" Quail, -Om Chun	" 11
" Liver, -Ngau Mai	" 17	" Partridge, -Cho Ku	" 11
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" Saddle, -Young On Yuk	" 32		
" Pig's Chitlings, -Chu Chong	" 25		
" Brains, -Chu No per set	9		
" Feet, -Chu Keek	" lb. 18		
" Fry, -Chu Chap	" lb. 18		
" Head, -Chu Tai	" lb. 15		
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" Eels, Conger, -Hoi Man	" 20	" (Medium)	" 1
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ployed in industrial occupations (in-
cluding those in Government estab-
lishments) is estimated in January,
1920, to have been reduced to ap-
proximately 503,500. The reduction
which has taken place in
clerical and commercial occupations
(including the Civil Service) is ap-
proximately 179,800. In addition,
109,000 women have been discharged
from His Majesty's Forces. Thus
the total reduction from these
occupations was in January estimated
at 792,300. Available information
indicated that considerable number
of women discharged from war
work as a result of the termination
of hostilities had been absorbed in
peace occupations while others had
retired from employment. The total
estimated number of women employ-
ed in industrial and commercial
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reductions. These sales do not mean
necessarily permanent reductions,
but they reflect the sentiment of the
people and indicate one more step
towards normal conditions. Fur-
ture is another department in
which the process of deflation has
commenced.

and chemical trades, in food, drink
and tobacco, paper and printing, and
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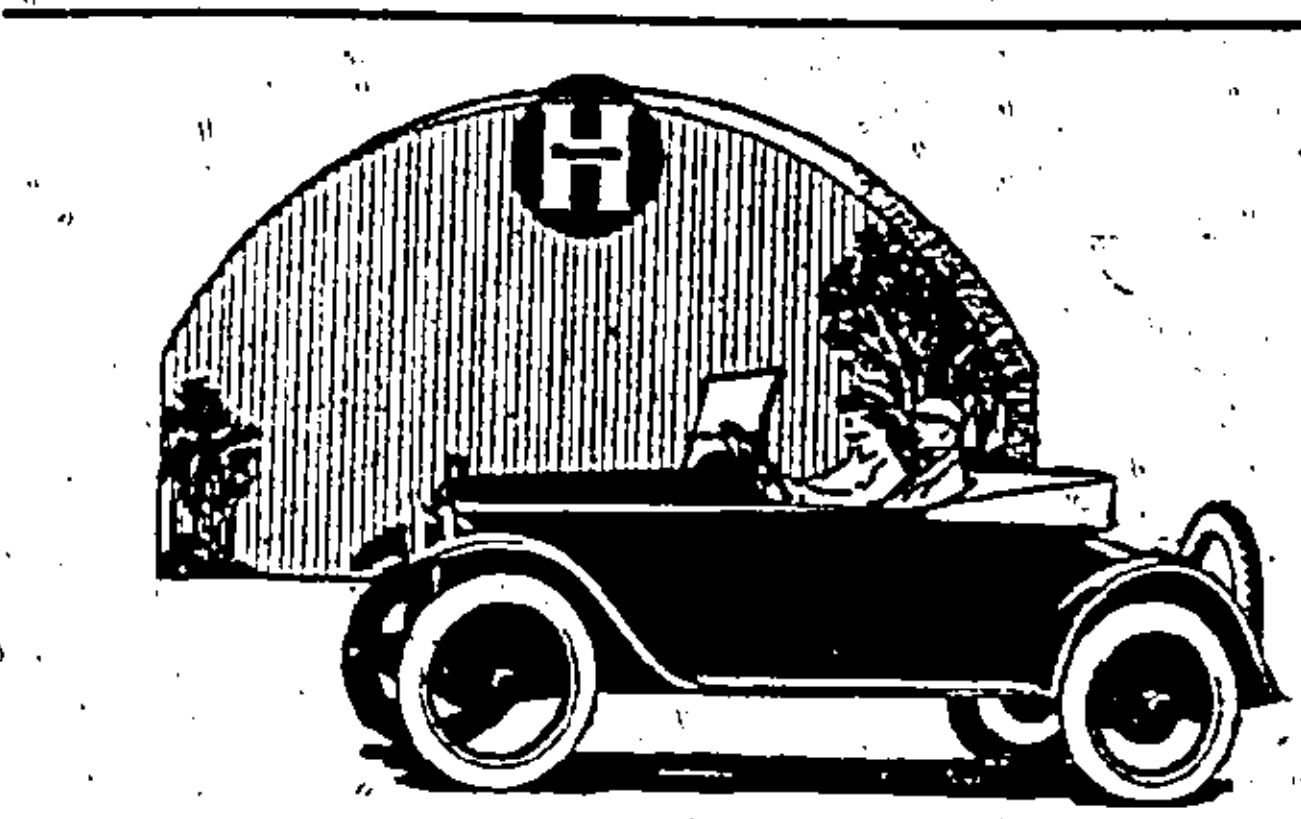
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The China Mail.

"TRUTH, JUSTICE, PUBLIC SERVICE."

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, AUGUST 10, 1920.

THE TEACHING OF
ENGLISH.

A chief feature of educational publications both in America and in England is the relatively large number of books and pamphlets purporting to lead the student through the labyrinth of the English language or to act as a finger-post to overworked teachers. This is in very truth a sign of the times. A few years ago, the general opinion among those who should have been better informed—and there are still those who hold fast to this opinion—was that anyone could teach "English," although it was conceded that specialists were required for other branches of study. "English" would seem to be coming into her own. There are very many teachers—probably the majority—who would rather apply their energies to inculcating mathematical or chemical facts, to teaching (?) History or Geography than undertake the drudgery of an "English" lesson. The reason is not far to seek. To teach an art, for example, the art of English Composition, is a task beyond the powers of most if not of all, particularly if the teacher fails to realise the nature of his task. If teachers of painting, music, sculpture, were to adopt the methods pursued in most schools in teaching "English," they would soon find themselves without students and the community would soon be without artists of any but the first rank who, it is well known, owe little or nothing to teaching. It may even be asked if it is possible to teach an art, to teach the art of writing "English." Certainly not, if erroneous methods are pursued. Joseph Conrad's career must be a source of deep concern to teachers of "English."

Apart from the fact that the teaching of an art presents almost insuperable difficulties, the want of success in teaching "English" lies in the fact that the Art and the Science of Language are being

continually confused. Grammar and Composition are looked upon as synonymous terms. Who by studying the Laws of Sound or of Physiology can train himself to play much less compose Sonatas like Beethoven's! And yet this is what is attempted every day in all our schools where the art of writing or speaking or even reading English is being taught. No one will question the advisability of studying scientific laws; but surely at the proper time and for a proper purpose. So with the study of Grammar (which it might be noted in passing, ought to be relegated to Higher Schools and Universities). Most of the work being done at present by our "English" teachers, is vitiated by their continual reference to grammatical rules and terminology—the curse of ancient, mediæval and modern language teaching. "Well might they (the teachers) wonder why their classes do not get on!" (sic). Fortunately students learn to express themselves correctly in spite of the unconscious efforts of teachers to put obstacles (concrete, abstract, material nouns, auxiliary, defective, irregular verbs and what not) in their way. What might not be accomplished if all this lumber were preserved for future antiquarians or senile classicists! At any rate, matters could not be much worse and would most probably be infinitely better.

These thoughts are the result of a perusal of Mr. Rowan's recent "English Composition Made Easy." Hongkong has at last caught the fever! What with sheaves of idioms and compilations of that description, the lot of the Chinese student learning English must be a hard one! Mr. Rowan's pamphlet has none of the virtues and all the faults—and a great many extra ones—of most books of the kind. Grammar is writ large on every page—a sufficient condemnation to the initiated. Even his treatment of Grammar is illogical and too often erroneous. His own attempt at English Composition is too often marred by un-English expressions showing a very weak grasp of English idiomatic construction. Further, he is obsessed with the examination spirit—an educational crime, much too common in Hongkong.

In the very first page Mr. Rowan, in his attempt to be clear, misses entirely the point he is trying to make. (This is in fact typical of his general treatment of his subject.) He specifically states that there is no exception to the wording of the phrase, "in the year 1920." Has "during the year 1920" no meaning, or is it ungrammatical?

How can he expect Chinese students to understand the first note on page 2? On page 4 he calls must an auxiliary verb and omits it on page 14 where he definitely states there are only six auxiliary verbs. From the point of view of Grammar, the whole work shows inconsistency both in treatment and in nomenclature. In several places the author writes about the verbs "to be," "the verbs," "to have" as if with a purpose; but in other places the plural form is dropped without any explanation or reason for the change of front. Again Mr. Rowan is evidently under the impression that all mistakes in Composition should be corrected by an appeal to Grammar (see his treatment of fill, fell, fell, felt, flesh, fresh, correct, collect.) These errors, very common no doubt among Chinese students, are due to bad speaking on the part of the students and perhaps of the teachers. Why not treat them as such?

The hints on story, letter and essay-writing are, as they stand, useless, being too advanced for beginners and much too vague and disconnected for more advanced students. They may be in place in a teacher's notebook but they are undoubtedly out of place in a printed book. The author gives no reason for the importance of analysis. It seems absolutely necessary that every book of this kind should contain a list of idiomatic phrases which the students memorise and bandy about as they would ping-pong balls. Mr. Rowan's is no exception; but his list is meagre and his explanation of their meaning and often his illustrative sentences are good examples of what to avoid (see page 83, numbers 2, 7, 8, and 10; page 84, number 1; and page 85, numbers 5 and 14). How is it possible to learn a language in this way?

This is the first experience we have had of seeing "bowlers" in an "English" text-book. On page 48, we read: "Notice the verb THERE in the last example." It is called an Introductory Adverb or Expletive Adverb. On page 61 we are informed that prepositions may govern adverbs as if that matters and two examples are given by way of verification. Here they are: "Come out of there." "I have heard such a thing before now." On page 76 occurs the rather strange statement: "None of these implies more than one."

This candid criticism of certain details should be sufficient to show the standard of the book. It is very discouraging. It is meant to be. Mr. Rowan, like other wise teachers has kept a notebook and has thought a good deal about its contents. That, however, is no reason why he should rush into print. The time is not yet for Mr. Rowan to place in the hands of Hongkong students his amateurish notes. He would be well advised to stick to his notebook and his thinking and extend his personal study of English, its structure and its history before venturing to increase the number of stumbling blocks to the easy learning of English. A little hard thinking as to the reasons why no English master—Mr. Rowan's own "English"—betrays him—has troubled other than his own students with his notes, should convince Mr. Rowan of his rashness.

The book is badly printed, being full of misspellings; but what can one expect in Hongkong for fifty-five cents?

INCOMPLETE COMFORT.

Sir Oliver Lodge has announced that the world will last one million years more. This would be more completely comforting to us if we were also given an inkling of what the cost of living will be by then, whether the Hongkong Football League will by that time have enough grounds on which to get all its matches played off, if passports and police registration will be abolished before then, and if the circulation of the *China Mail* goes on growing at its present rate, whether we will be able to get enough paper to print it on. If not, we don't care if it lasts only half a million.

DEUTSCHE WAREN.

It was bound to come. German efforts to rebuild an export trade were inevitable. Among the numerous evidences of renewed and shrewdly directed activity we note the special weekly edition of the *Berliner Tageblatt*, for the outlands and overseas; a copy of which has reached us. It pays special attention to east Asia, and the future of German trade in Malaya, the Philippines, Indo-China, Japan and China. China, we read, "ist augenblicklich kein Land," and there is a reference to the "Sympathien des chinesischen Volkes für Deutschland bilden zweifellos einen erfreulichen Activpunkt beim dortigen Wiederaufbau." Das ist nützlich alle recht, aber sie werden nie, hoch und mahlzeit. There are technical articles

and book reviews, but the most interesting pages are those which offer a wonderful variety of German goods for export, "check with order to ensure quick delivery." Nothing is mentioned about quick delivery to ensure cheque.

OF EDITORIALS.

The superstition seems to be that the editorial "we" is the pronoun of a number of responsible gentlemen who get together and debate a "policy," all wards instructing an amanuensis what to say and how to say it. The sentences are uttered as if by the organ itself. It is possible that this has actually been done, though we are not aware of any instances.

In practice it is usually a tired person of somewhat uncleanly habits, whose mind is preoccupied with matters quite foreign to the subject of his discourse, who thunders at a quite indifferent world agreements and disagreements. It is an individual for the simple reason that no machine has yet been invented that can do it. It might just as well be a machine. The invention is within the limits of things possible. A sort of tank, filled with clichés, one adjective to every noun. . . . Alphabetically arranged compartments, a method of setting it like a time lock with a key word, and a boy to turn a handle.

At present behind the "we" is an "I." Always an "I." A lot depends on the "I." If he is not a thinker (and newspaper proprietors do not offer inducements to thinkers) he will take a theme as a gramophone takes a "record," and mangle it. He will use it as the festive Caledonian uses at dooch-and-deoris time the tongs and poker, set it down, and dance a verbose fling over and about it.

Personality, individuality, will creep in where there is any to creep in. Then the public is treated to the rare sight of a trained human mind fitting from subject to subject as a bee from flower to flower, gathering honey and pollen. "So that is how it works," the public might say, and have interest therefrom. But it does not. It sees the wonderful wings of the bee, quavering the difficult approach to the blossom. It sees the miraculous tongue, finer and sharper than any human tool, operating in the flower. It sees all the wonderful processes of honey gathering, and it says (some of it) that personally it does not care for honey.

Personally I don't agree with him. It should be obvious that such disagreements or agreements are irrelevant, that an argument well put is worth reading, and of value in so far as it stimulates the reader's mind to the exertion of coming to a decision one way or the other. To buy nimblyramby verbosity which never says anything he can disagree with seems to be one man's idea of palatable journalism. That there may be wide fields of thought into which he has never strayed is a discovery that irritates him. He thought he knew it all. The expletive use of the word "pedant" relieves him.

That there may be fresh angles from which to view something he may have seen before also disconcerts him. "Bolshevik" is a useful epithet.

Impersonal, "safe," conservative, non-committal platitudinous porridge is his favourite mental fare. Newspaper proprietors know this, and prefer to cater accordingly.

But every editorial is the output of some individual, even when it is what we may politely call pre-digested. The individual therefore matters. The output of a "character" and the output of a nonentity are necessarily different. The conversation of a crank is always better worth listening to than the prattle of a parrot. The obiter dicta of a lunatic may be better reading than the on dits of a Boettian.

Whom do you want to make wet? said the breeze to a cloud. The cloud was greatly surprised. "No one, in particular," said the cloud; "but it is necessary that I should fall." "What a fool I am," said the breeze. "In any case I could not direct you, since it is necessary that I should blow this way and no other." So the breeze blew the cloud and the rain fell, and the men underneath all had umbrellas.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The Penang Municipal Commissioners have decided to erect a clubhouse for municipal employees at an estimated cost of \$5,000.

The Director of Museums, F. M. S. is contemplating a trip to the Philippine Islands at an early date for the purpose of exploring the mountains of that country.

During the heavy rain of the last few weeks damage was done to the Sunning Railway at Tai Chak and Ngau Wan. Consequently the railway service of Sunning has been interrupted.

At midnight on August 6, two houses in Sheung Kung Hong, Canton, collapsed at the same instant. Five of the inmates of these houses who were asleep at the time were slightly injured.

The statue of Admiral Ching Pek-kwang is expected to arrive in Canton shortly, and will be erected in Dutch Folly next month. It is reported that the cost of the statue is 100,000 francs or \$25,000.

The Australian Government have forwarded £300 compensation for damage caused by the misbehaviour of Australian troops who recently passed through Colombo. The sum has been handed to the Inspector-General of Police who will distribute it.

According to the report of the Foreign Silk Association of Canton on the export of raw silk, waste silk, and pierced cocoons from Canton for the last two weeks ending July 31, referring to raw silk, some 148 bales were shipped to England, 797 to France, 30 to Italy, and 810 to America; waste silk, 100 to England, 200 to France, 7 to Italy, and 1600 to America.

The launching of a 10,000-ton steamer christened the "Argon Maru" took place at the Osaka Iron Works at the end of last month. The ship is built for the Osaka Shosen Kaisha Company. Among the foreign guests who were present at the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. S. Innes Preston, the Rev. and Mrs. Clarence H. Benson and Mr. John Larson.

A Moji message to the *Asahi* says that the s.s. "West Harts," which stranded off Moji early on the morning of July 23, was refloated the following morning with the help of the "Oura Maru" of the Japan Maritime Engineering Company, and another vessel. Some damage was caused to her bottom, and she proceeded to Kobe, where she will undergo repairs.

There is a great demand for silk embroideries in Canton because many American ladies use them for trimmings on fancy dresses. More than twenty embroiderers' shops have been organized recently in the City and no fewer than two thousand women workers are being employed by these concerns. It is reported that the exports of silk embroideries to American ports, from the beginning of this year up to recently, amount to about \$400,000.—*Canton Times*.

The rank and file of the Chinese army; it is said, can outbugle any army of the world. "One thing," says an American writer (quoted by the *Liverpool Post*), "the Chinese soldier does do. He bugles. The one great insatiable, unconquerable passion of the Chinese army is bugling. I have never investigated, but I venture to say that one out of every two hours he blows it, and that not one time in three thousand does he blow it in the resemblance of any recognized call or tune."

An immense amount of dissatisfaction exists in New York because of the high steamer rates and the appalling scramble for bookings. It is no unusual sight to see a crowd of persons at the piers on sailing days hured to the steamer by the possibility of the cancellation of same passage at the last moment by death or sickness. Warning is given by the American authorities that travellers leaving Britain and intending to return this year should not cross unless they have booked return passages in advance. If they neglect this precaution they will probably be stranded in a country where the cost of living is higher than in England.

The story is going about that a high Chinese official, having arrived at Barrow to purchase ships for his Government, was taken aback by the sudden roar of the hooter (locally termed a bull) which released the workmen for their dinner and recalled them in an hour's time, says the *L. & C. Express*. Many of them, he noticed, ran away from the ominous noise, and again ran back in its direction. This, thought his Excellency, contrasting their pace with the deliberate gait of his compatriots, could be nothing less than magic. Would it not be possible similarly to speed up Chinese labour? "Sir," said he, turning with a grave inclination of the head to the naval attaché who was looking after him, "be good enough to order me a thousand bulls!"

SPECIAL CABLES.

SHANGHAI TRAGEDY.

SING SONG GIRL'S DEATH.

ALLEGED MURDERER ARRESTED.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Aug. 10.

Nyien Zee Sung, the alleged murderer of a sing song girl has been arrested. He appeared at the Mixed Court and was remanded for a week. [This message evidently refers to Lien Ying, the famous beautiful Shanghai sing-song girl, who was murdered and robbed of some \$4,000 worth of jewellery. According to a Shanghai newspaper report she was resting uneasily in her grave, as toward midnight for several nights those living where she died, at No. 702 Chekiang Road, heard noises weird, queer, and mysterious, which they said demonstrated that the unhappy girl was uneasy in the other world and was making demonstrations to remind the police that her murderer was still at large.]

SHANGHAI OBITUARY.

MR. R. S. DOUGAL.

EIGHTEEN YEARS IN CHINA.

[China Mail Special.]

SHANGHAI, Aug. 10.

The death is announced of Mr. R. S. Dougal of the firm of Andrews and George, Import and Export Merchants. Mr. Dougal had been 18 years in China.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A number of bandits were arrested at Nam Shau and Kun Tung villages, Heungshan, by soldiers the other day. Six boys and a girl, who had been kidnapped were discovered in the bandits' den and rescued.

Dr. W. L. Christie, medical officer of the Duff Development Co., Kelantan, who passed through Singapore for Home a few weeks ago in a precarious state of health, with Mrs. Christie, died at sea on July 22 and was buried in the Gulf of Suez.

Arrested by the police on a charge of having been drunk and disorderly, a European named Alexander C. Laggal was allowed police bail in the sum of \$10. He failed to appear when his case was called before Magistrate Smith yesterday. Consequently his bail was estreated.

The Queen of Tonga's jewels, valued at £15,000, were lost in the wreck of the ketch "Violet," in the Haapai Group in May. The anchor, which was left swinging at the bow, smashed a hole in the forefoot of the vessel. She is on a sandy bottom thirty fathoms deep, and salvage is impossible.

The Tokyo *Asahi* says that during the torpedo practice, off Iyo province on the night of 19th July the propeller on the starboard side of the warship "Fuso" was hit by a torpedo which was discharged by the destroyer "Katsura." Serious damage was done, though no casualties were caused. The warship returned to Kure the following day for repairs.

Mr. Ernest Spence Smith, Assistant Director General of the Education Department, Siam, died on board the s.s. "Suddhabhi," off Bandon. Mr. Smith left Bangkok on a trip to Singapore. His health had not been too good for a year or two past. He was 47 years of age, and came to Bangkok 24 years ago.

Japan papers state that the depression in the shipping trade is being seriously felt at Moji, owing to the decreasing demand for coal. Coal coolies there, (there are about 500 in all), are unable to obtain constant work, and as their wages when employed range from 30 sen to a yen, or thereabouts, per day, they are finding life rather difficult. A similar state of things is reported from Wakamatsu.

At the inquest held on General Ravenshaw, who died while elephant hunting in the A'so bush, the verdict was that death was due to engine pectoris and spasm of the heart. General Ravenshaw was a former staff officer in Singapore. Two wolf dogs belonging to Major Pretorius (the General's host) were missing the night after the general had gone astray in the bush and it transpired later that they had guarded the body throughout the night, driving off wandering elephants, which approached within 120 yards of it. Natives stated that during that night they heard dogs "fighting elephants."

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INTERPORT TENNIS.

MEETING IN HONGKONG.

ASSOCIATION TO BE FORMED.

The question of interport tennis was discussed at a meeting of representatives of the Hongkong tennis and cricket clubs held in the Hongkong Cricket Club Pavilion yesterday evening.

Mr. R. Hancock, who presided, said that the meeting had been convened to discuss the following letter received by the Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong C.C. from the Hon. Secretary of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association—

"Dear Sir,—I have been instructed by the Committee of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association to invite your views as to the possibility and desirability of arranging regular Interport Lawn Tennis Matches between your port and Shanghai. Such matches might take place either between teams of six players a side, or on the Davis Cup system possibly one match each year, first at one port and then at the other. The above suggestions are put forward only in a very general way, as my Committee would like to have your opinion as to whether you consider the idea a good and a practicable one, before proceeding to the discussion of details. My Committee feels sure that such matches would evoke very great interest in Shanghai and would tend to improve the standard of lawn tennis in the Far East, and that, seeing that it is now possible to arrange for cricket, polo and lawn bowls teams to visit different ports, it should be even easier to do so for lawn tennis in view of the great popularity of the game and the large numbers of players. I am addressing this letter to you as I am not aware if there is a Lawn Tennis Association at your port as there is here, and I shall be grateful if you will deal with it as representing the lawn tennis players of Hongkong, or, failing that, hand it to anybody who is in a position to do so. The idea of my Committee is to hold matches between teams representing the lawn tennis-playing communities of each port rather than between teams which only represent individual clubs.

(Sd.) A. H. GEORGE.

Mr. Hancock said those present knew that there had been no regular interport tennis matches in the past, although tennis matches had been arranged in conjunction with the interport cricket matches. He said that the best thing would be to agree to the general principle of having the tennis matches as suggested by Shanghai and then appoint a sub-committee to discuss the details. A letter could be sent at once to Shanghai informing them that Hongkong would be glad of a visit from Shanghai tennis players.

Mr. W. H. Drummond agreed with the Chairman's suggestion, and said Shanghai might send the tennis team at the same time as the cricket team in November.

Mr. Hancock thought this was a good idea. He thought the best thing would be to arrange that the matches be played this year in Hongkong, next year in Shanghai and so on.

The formation of a Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association was suggested as the first step.

Mr. A. Hicks said that if such an Association be formed, it could not only take the interport contests in hand, but could also arrange the championship tournament, in which the Hongkong C.C. had done so much good work in the past.

Mr. Hancock said that a L. T. A. must come; the sooner the better. This meeting, however, could not form an Association. Perhaps it would be best to have Mr. Greenhill write to the Secretary of the Shanghai Association for a copy of their rules. Then the local sub-committee could discuss these and call a general meeting of persons interested in lawn tennis for the purpose of forming an association.

This suggestion was agreed to by the meeting.

It was decided to inform the Shanghai Association that Hongkong would be glad of a visit in November.

Mr. Drummond mentioned the matter of expense.

Mr. Hancock said he did not anticipate any difficulty on that score. Subscriptions were usually invited, and the entrance fees would enable the Association to be put on a sound footing.

A sub-committee consisting of one representative each from the Hongkong C.C., the Kowloon C.C., the U.S.R.C., the Chinese R.C. and the Civil Service was appointed to make the necessary arrangements until the formation of a Hongkong Lawn Tennis Association. The Association will choose the teams and run the interport tennis. It was suggested as desirable that Mr. Hancock represent the Hongkong C.C. on the Committee.

Mr. Hancock said it was a pity that they could not get teams from Japan and Manila. They could then have had a week of tennis.

This sentiment was echoed, but no one suggested that an effort be made to get teams from Japan and Manila, and the meeting terminated.

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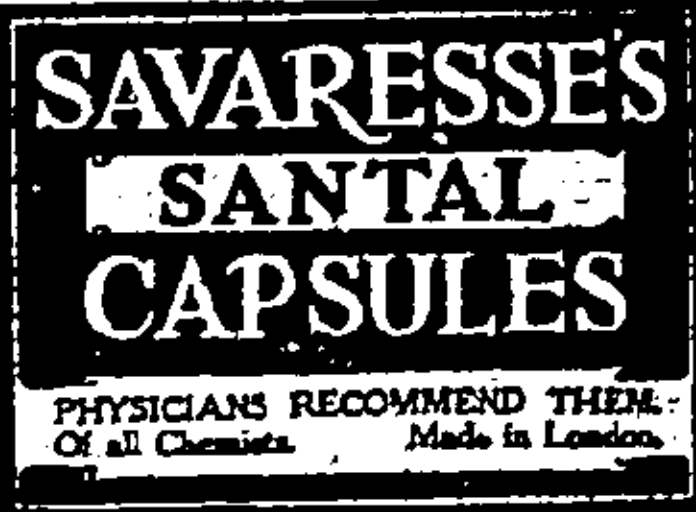
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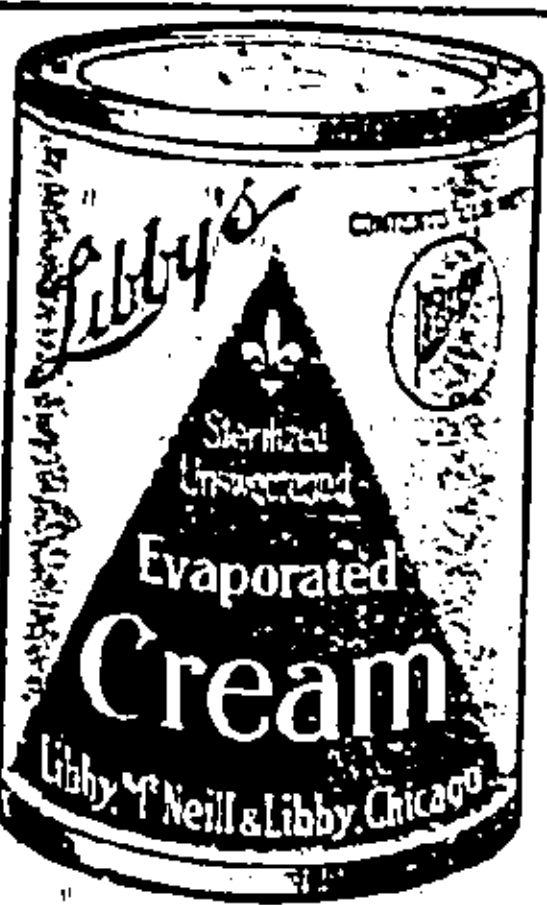
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Early this year the tin share rose to \$2,000, when a phenomenal find of tin at Badak was reported.

CHINESE COAL FOR DENMARK.

LONDON, August 7th.—The Coal Association says that the Danish State Railways order for Chinese coal, and the forthcoming delivery at Marseilles of 100,000 tons of Chinese coal marks the opening of a fresh epoch in the history of the world's coal industry.

The reduced English output has given China her chance. For people realize the enormous extent of China's mineral resources. The important part which China may play as a coal-producing nation has been realized in Germany. The technical German papers, during the last few months, have been paying great attention to this matter.

It is reported at the Newcastle Exchange that Chinese coal companies are competing for European business. The Danish State Railways have purchased cargoes of Chinese coal for immediate shipment.

ALLEGED INTERNATIONAL ANARCHIST.

CHICAGO, August 8th.—The Police have arrested a man named John Alexander, alias Lagranch, alleged to be an international anarchist and a member of the German Communist Party on a charge of creating draft. The Police declare that he had been distributing German propaganda in America, while the Federal authorities consider that the arrest is the most important made since the war.

RESCUED FROM THE ICE.

AN ADVENTURE IN THE ARCTIC.

The rescue is reported of the crew of the "Solovet," which had been drifting in the Kara Sea, in the Arctic Ocean. The icebreaker "Svatozor" which went to the rescue encountered masses of old polar ice in the Kara Sea and steamed to the north-west to find new and more penetrable ice. The icebreaker reached the "Solovet" by running into the pack ice with full steam raised in all of her ten boilers. Sometimes she was beaten back but she attacked again and again though at times she was obliged to make a dozen efforts as the ice was 20 feet thick in places. Finally, the "Svatozor" brought the "Solovet" with 57 persons aboard safely to Archangel.

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SECRET DEVICE ON WARSHIPS.

SIR PERCY SCOTT'S CLAIM AGAINST VICKERS.

A claim by Admiral Sir Percy Scott against Messrs. Vickers, Ltd., came before Mr. Justice Coleridge in the King's Bench Division.

Sir E. Carson said plaintiff had devoted a great deal of his time to making inventions in relation to gunnery, and particularly as to sighting arrangements, which had been adopted throughout the ships of His Majesty's Navy and in many ships belonging to other countries.

One of the inventions in question, made in 1903, was called the Hero sight, because it was first used in a ship called the "Hero." There was an agreement entered into regarding this by which plaintiff was to be paid 20 per cent. of the selling price of any of these inventions, manufactured by Vickers.

INDEFINITE ARRANGEMENTS.

Various other inventions and improvements were handed over to the defendants on an agreement that they should have the sole right to manufacture electric range clocks, range transmitters and receivers, and a blow out for guns, which was the invention that came chiefly into this case—a director of firing gear that was an extension of the original Hero sighting. This enabled one, through the mechanical contrivances of the invention, practically to fire all the guns in a ship at one time by reason of this way in which the sighting could be arranged.

Plaintiff contended that all these inventions came under the original contract. Matters seemed to have been arranged in a very informal way. There was, in fact, no contract produced except the original one bearing date 1903, and the matter had been going on in a very indefinite way for many years.

What the plaintiff claimed now was an account from defendants of all the sales of these different apparatus, instruments, and devices. As a rule the various inventions were allowed to be taken out in the name of Vickers or of Sir Trevor Dawson, who was then managing director. The director of firing gear was taken out in the name of Sir Trevor Dawson and Admiral Sir Percy Scott.

A QUESTION OF PERCENTAGE.

The points in dispute between the parties were these. Defendants did not seem to object to an account, but said first, "You are not entitled to the account on the basis of an alleged 20 per cent. on the selling price of your inventions. You are only entitled, up to a subsequent date, to 10 per cent. of the profits on the sales." That, said counsel, made a very great difference. Sir Edward thought that was the main question that had to be decided.

Another question arose in relation to one of the inventions—the blow out for guns. Defendants denied that they supplied in anybody this invention. Counsel did not know exactly what they meant by that, because his instructions were that this was a very important invention.

PROTECTING GUN CREWS.

By this contrivance instead of the gas being blown back with disastrous results to the crews, it was let off. Almost every ship of His Majesty's Navy had been supplied by Messrs. Vickers with this invention, and evidence to that effect would be tendered.

The defendants, he understood, denied that the blow-out for guns that they supplied to the Navy was plaintiff's invention. The defendants said that on February 9, 1905, by a letter from Sir Trevor Dawson, and one in reply from Sir Percy Scott, it was agreed that plaintiff would accept £12,000 in settlement of all royalties on sighting arrangements due to him down to January 2, 1905. That was not to include inventions in connection with telescopes, clocks, and transmitters. The sum of £12,000, the defendants said, was paid to the plaintiff's invention—the director of firing gear—was still secret and could not be more particularly described.

Alluding to the question of the percentage, counsel said the difference meant thousands of pounds. Sir J. Simon said the defendant's accounts were not settled, as the Admiralty and they had not yet agreed what was to be paid.

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The Company in Canton says that Mr. Wong Kok Shun, manager of the Heung On Insurance Company and a director of the Sincere Company in Hongkong, may have individually contracted a loan with Dr. Wu, but this has nothing to do with the Sincere Company at Canton at all.

It appears that Mr. Wong Kwok Shun contracted a loan from Dr. Wu nearly a year ago, giving some stock certificates and other documents as security and that the Military Government now claims that the loan made was from the funds of the Government, then in the hands of Dr. Wu, the Minister of Finance in Canton at that time, and that the loan, when due, should be payable to the Ministry and not to Dr. Wu. The Military Government has succeeded in getting an order from the Canton District Court directing the Sincere Company to redeem the loan with the Ministry of Finance, now in charge of Dr. Chen Chin-mo, instead of with Dr. Wu.

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Sing me a song of wine, for nothing matters!

Love were a theme to make the poet weep
To see the unappreciated pearls he scatters.
And so were songs of Chloë and her sheep.
Of how the shepherd plays and laments his leap—
Sing me a song of wine, for nothing matters!

The Pub is open—to the warmth within
Comes one who thinks you lovers mad as hatters.
Greets Gertrude in the taproom with a grin.
Cries to his gathered cronies "Come, begin."
Sing me a song of wine, for nothing matters!

Leave lyres to bands, and leave his pipes to Pan
While music in the trees the monkey chants.
Sing me a song of nobler stuff than Man.
Of Grapes, created ere his reign began—
Sing me a song of Wine, for nothing matters!

—KEITH WEST.

Hongkong, August 9, 1920.

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BANGKOK CASE.

GRANT COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

In the case in which Mr. C. Grant, a mining engineer, is being prosecuted by the police for threatening H.B.M. Consul-General at Bangkok and with doing wilful damage by breaking a typewriter at the British Consulate, proceedings were continued in the Bangkok Court.

The first witness called was Mr. B. C. Neoh, chief clerk at the British Legation, who stated that at 9 o'clock one morning the accused came into the office. The first thing he did was to speak to Mr. Hendricks, witness assistant, and he at once took up a typewriter from its table, threw it on the floor and told witness to go and inform Mr. Lyle what he had done. The typewriter was a Smith Premier, in good condition.

Accused cross-examined the witness, wanting to know how long the typewriter had been in use and other minor matters, but the Court decided to commit him for trial in the International Criminal Court.

THE GOLDEN STAIRS.

IMPRESSIVE SCENES IN ANCIENT ROME.

On the far side of the wide Piazza San Giovanni, opposite the church of St. John Lateran, stands an unpretentious, almost shabby, building. But it contains one of the most precious relics in Christendom, and throughout the day long queues of the devout extend far into the Piazza to await their turn to worship.

It is in this building, writes a correspondent in an exchange, that you may see the actual steps which formed part of the palace of Pontius Pilate in Jerusalem, the actual steps which Christ ascended and descended in His Passion.

These Holy Stairs came to Rome in A.D. 326, brought by St. Helena, the mother of Constantine the Great, after that monarch had been converted to Christianity, to followed by the rest of his family. On their arrival in Rome, they were re-erected to the right of the portico of the old Lateran Palace; but, in 1589, Pope Sixtus V. removed them to their present position in the chapel of the Sancta Sanctorum, a building in charge of the Passionists.

IMPRESSIVE SPECTACLE.

We were able to gain an excellent view of the stairs and the pilgrims from the fact that the queue was well kept, and there was ample room to enter the doorway on either side. The entrance hall is small and unpretentious, a couple of fine sacred statues being the only adornments. The stairs themselves, 28 in number, are about 12ft. wide, of pure white marble, rising through an archway to the door of the chapel above.

All is quiet. The prayers of the long line of pilgrims are silent ones. All are kneeling, and as they conclude one prayer they ascend—still on their knees—to the next step, making way for another of the waiting string to take the vacant place. The ascent necessarily takes many minutes. Probably more than half an hour elapses before the worshipper reaches the landing, and during all that time he is on his knees, an ordeal scarcely appreciated by those who have not tried it, and scarcely possible to any but those filled with deep devotion.

Yet women and children formed the vast majority of those devoted people, and though I watched them for some time, not even those nearest the top-most step showed the slightest sign of failing. The priest who accompanied me assured me that such collapses were very rare, though many felt the results for days afterwards.

About halfway up the stairs part of the surface is covered with a glass case, and through this glass can be seen stains on the marble—stains said to have been caused by the bleeding feet of the Saviour when He was brought before Pilate. As they reach this case the worshippers pause and reverently kiss the glass.

An indulgence of nine years for each of the 28 steps may be obtained by those who ascend on their knees, according to an indulgence granted in 1100 by Pope Paschal II. This indulgence was confirmed by Pope Pius VII in 1817 as applicable to souls in Purgatory, and to be obtained only by those who pray or meditate on the Passion with a contrite heart.

The Sancta Sanctorum, which you can see through a grating from the landing, was the only part of the Lateran which escaped the great fire, and was the private oratory of the early Popes. In the foundations of this building have been discovered many precious relics, including the heads of St. Peter and St. Paul—now in St. John's Lateran—and the head of St. Agnes, which was found only 20 years ago.

SACRED PICTURE.

In the chapel itself is the celebrated picture of the Saviour, which tradition says was outlined by St. Luke, and completed by the angels. Only the face is exposed to-day, one of the mediaeval Popes having covered the rest of the picture, which is painted on cedar, with silver plates.

Through the grating of the chapel the faithful gaze reverently at the picture, but it is only a fleeting glimpse they get. The grating is small, and there are so many waiting their turn. Then they pass along the passage, and descend by other stairs. Some even make the descent on their knees again, praying fervently the whole time.

It is a tiny bit of Rome, this chapel, but it is of special interest in revealing the devotion of the people. Every one is absolutely sincere and absolutely absorbed. We felt a tribute ashamed of intruding on their worship at first. It seemed sacrilegious to gaze at mere sightseers upon what they regarded so sacredly. But they were not resentful; they were not even aware of our presence. Their thoughts were superior to worldly vanities, worldly trifles. Their thoughts were of their Faith.

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VESSELS DUE.

FROM SHANGHAI.

Aug. 12.	P. & O.	Dunera.
13.	R. F.	Alicious.
14.	R. F.	Onia.
15.	R. F.	Prometheus.
16.	R. F.	City of Birmingham.
17.	R. F.	Protestant.
18.	R. F.	Ningchow.
19.	R. F.	Rheas.
20.	R. F.	Chilless.
21.	R. F.	City of Dunkirk.
22.	R. F.	Menor.
Oct. 11.	R. F.	Keemyn.
12.	R. F.	Telesma.
13.	R. F.	Telamon.
14.	R. F.	Helius.
15.	R. F.	Elpenor.

FROM JAPAN.

Aug. 12.	N. Y. R.	Penang Maru.
13.	P. & O.	Lahore.
14.	E. & A.	Eastern.
15.	R. I. A.	Takada.
16.	P. & O.	Railan.
17.	R. I. A.	Sellerophon.
18.	P. & O.	Plassy.
19.	R. I. A.	Japan.
20.	P. & O.	Jeypore.
21.	R. I. A.	Arratoon Apar.
22.	P. & O.	Cyclops.
23.	R. I. A.	Madras.
24.	P. & O.	Rhiva.
25.	R. I. A.	Lyacon.
26.	P. & O.	Gregory Apar.
27.	R. I. A.	Ranowda.
28.	P. & O.	Nankin.
29.	R. I. A.	Enrypylus.
30.	P. & O.	Kashgar.
31.	R. I. A.	Peleus.
1.	P. & O.	Idoneus.

FROM MANILA.

Aug. 28.	B. F.	Talhythias.
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FROM CALCUTTA.

Aug. 14.	R. I. A.	Japan.
15.	R. I. A.	Arratoon Apar.
16.	R. I. A.	Madras.
17.	R. I. A.	Totomi Maru.
18.	R. I. A.	Gregory Apar.

FROM BOMBAY.

Aug. 13.	N. Y. K.	Taiwan Maru.
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FROM JAL.

Aug. 14.	C. I. J.	Tjibodet.
15.	C. I. J.	Tsichang.
16.	C. I. J.	Tsindari.

FROM MELBOURNE AND SYDNEY.

Aug. 19.	N. Y. K.	Tango Maru.
20.	E. & A.	Rabowda.

FROM VANCOUVER.

Aug. 21.	C. P. O. S.	Empress of Russia.
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FROM SEATTLE.

Sept. 27.	B. F.	Tyndareus.
28.	B. F.	Ixon.
29.	B. F.	Talhythias.
30.	B. F.	Tyndareus.
31.	B. F.	Ixon.

FROM LOS ANGELES.

Aug. 22.	L. A. P. N.	West Hika.
23.	L. A. P. N.	Vinita.
24.	L. A. P. N.	West Hiron.

FROM NEW YORK.

Aug. 28.	B. L.	Kansas.
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FROM LONDON.

Aug. 11.	P. & O.	Plassy.
12.	N. Y. K.	Yokohama Maru.
13.	R. I. A.	Khiva.
14.	P. & O.	Canaryonshire.
15.	R. I. A.	Glenav.
16.	P. & O.	Nankin.
17.	R. I. A.	Mishima Maru.
18.	P. & O.	Kashgar.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Aug. 15.	B. F.	Achilles.
16.	B. F.	Menor.
17.	B. F.	Knight of the Garter.
18.	B. F.	Enrypylus.
19.	B. F.	Ajax.
20.	B. F.	Wakasa Maru.
21.	B. F.	Stout.
22.	B. F.	Telesma.
23.	B. F.	Keemyn.
24.	B. F.	Telamon.
25.	B. F.	Laertes.
26.	B. F.	Nieus.
27.	B. F.	Elpenor.

FROM ROTTERDAM.

Aug. 11.	N. Y. K.	Calcutta Maru.
12.	N. Y. K.	Dakar Maru.

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WEATHER REPORT.

Aug. 10. 12. 04m. No returns from Japan and Indo-China.
Pressure has increased moderately over Formosa, and decreased slightly elsewhere: it is lowest over Tongking.
Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.10 inch. Total since January 1st, 72.61 inches. Against an average of 86.65 inches.
Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on July 11th.
1.—Hongkong to Gap Rock. S. and S.W. or variable winds, moderate; cloudy, rain.
2.—Formosa Channel. The same as No. 1.
3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamock. The same as No. 1.
4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan. The same as No. 1.

ROYAL OBSERVATORY.

HONGKONG DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

AUGUST 10, 1920.—a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer at Sea Level.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Direction Force.	Weather.
Vidivostok	6 a.	29.76	71	—	—	—
Nemuro	5 a.	—	—	—	—	—
Stokholm	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kobe	—	—	—	—	—	—
Nagasaki	—	—	—	—	—	—
Kagoshima	—	—	—	—	—	—
Osaka	—	—	—	—	—	—
Yokohama	—	—	—	—	—	—
Manila	—	—	—	—	—	—
Shanghai	—	—	—	—	—	—
Amoy	—	—	—	—	—	—
Swatow	—	—	—	—	—	—
Taiwan	—	—	—	—	—	—
Formosa	—	—	—	—	—	—
London	—	—	—	—	—	—
Paris	—	—	—	—	—	—
Brussels	—	—	—	—	—	—
Amsterdam	—	—	—	—	—	—
Antwerp	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rotterdam	—	—	—	—	—	—
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Antwerp	—	—	—	—	—	—
Rotterdam	—	—	—	—	—	—

T. F. OLAXTON, Director.

Hongkong Observatory, Aug. 10, 1920.

1. BAROMETER, reduced to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.
2. TEMPERATURE, in the shade in degrees Fahrenheit.
3. HUMIDITY, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.
4. DIRECTION OF WIND, to two points. Force, or Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.
5. STATE OF WEATHER, in blue sky, detached cloud, drizzling rain, fog, gloomy, hail, lightning, overcast, passing showers, squally rain, snow, thunder, visibility, dew, wet.
6. RAIN, in inches tenths and hundredths.

HONGKONG TIDES.

The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1909-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet inches below mean sea-level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 2 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

August 11 to 17, 1920.

	High Water.	Low Water.	Hours.
Wed. 11	5.30	1.30	11
Thurs. 12	6.15	2.15	12
Fri. 13	7.00	3.00	13
Sat. 14	7.45	3.45	14
Sun. 15	8.30	4.30	15
Mon. 16	9.15	5.15	16
Tues. 17	10.00	6.00	17

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PENALTY FOR JILTING.

ENGLISH GIRL DETAINED AT NEW YORK.

Miss Nell Butler, a stenographer from Manchester, arrived at Halifax, Nova Scotia, recently on board the *Royal George* to marry Captain T. H. Kitchin, Canadian Field Artillery, but on the voyage across she exercised her feminine prerogative and changed her mind after being wooed by Captain Paul Miller, a fellow-passenger.

Now Miss Butler is being detained by the American immigration authorities on her arrival here under a Canadian deportation warrant, while Captain Miller is speeding by rail from Halifax to do what he can to persuade the American authorities to admit the girl.

When the *Royal George* arrived at Halifax, Captain Kitchin was at the dock to meet his fiancée, but on learning that she had been jilted he insisted on carrying out "his obligation to the girl's parents" and paid her passage back to England by the *Royal George* in order that she should not have to travel steerage. The Canadian authorities refused to admit her to become the bride of Captain Miller after hearing the disappointed suitor's story.

The Cunarder *Caronia* touched at Halifax while the controversy was at its height, and without more ado the officials ordered the young woman on board to return to England via New York.

POST OFFICE.

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INWARD MAILS.

WEDNESDAY, August 11.
Europe (via N. Y. & Panama)—Per YOKO-KAMA—ARRIVE.
Straits—Per PLASSY.
Shanghai—Per YINGCHOW.
THURSDAY, August 12.
Japan—Per PENANG MARU.
FRIDAY, August 13.
Bombay—Per TAIAN MARU.
SATURDAY, August 14.
Straits—Per JAPAN.
THURSDAY, August 19.
Manila and Australia—Per TANGO MARU.

OUTWARD MAILS.

TUESDAY, August 10.
Hohow and Bangkok—Per WUBU, 6 p.m.
Straits, Bangkok, Ceylon, Mauritius, L. Marquis, South Africa, India via Durban, Aden & SUEZ—Per PILSNA, 5 p.m.
Hohow and Haiphong—Per TANGSANG, 6 p.m.
Fort Bayard—Per SHUNCHEONG, 5 p.m.
Japan via Nagasaki—Per BENARTY, 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, August 11.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu Canada, United States, Central and South America and PUROPE—Per SAN FRANCISCO—Per VENEZUELA, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
*Shanghai, *North China, *Japan via Kobe—Per ATLAS MARU, 4 p.m.
Formosa via Keelung—Per SHIEN MARU, 4 p.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per PLASSY, 5 p.m.
THURSDAY, August 12.
Hohow and *Straits—Per EUPHE, 5 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Takao—Per SOSEU MARU, 5 a.m.
*Shanghai, and *North China—Per SUNNING, 10 a.m.
*Shanghai, *North China and *Japan via Kobe—Per YOKOHAMA MARU, 10 a.m.
Formosa via Keelung—Per *North China, *Japan via Moji, Canada, *United States, Central and South America and *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per TENYO MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, Central and South America and *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per TENYO MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
Sandakan, Amoy and New Zealand via PLEASANT ISLAND—Per TAIYUAN, Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.
*Swatow—Per HYDRANGEA, 4 p.m.
FRIDAY, August 13.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per HAIYUNG, 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per YUENSANG, 2 p.m.
SUNDAY, August 15.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa via Keelung—Per AMAROSA MARU, 2 p.m.
Philippine Islands, *Formosa via Keelung, *Shanghai, *North China, *Japan via Moji, Canada, *United States, Central and South America and *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per TOTOHAI, Registration 9 a.m. Letters 9 a.m.
MONDAY, August 16.
Philippine Islands, *Formosa via Keelung, *Shanghai, *North China, *Japan via Moji, Canada, *United States, Central and South America and *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—Per KASHIMA MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
TUESDAY, August 17.
Swatow, Amoy and Fochow—Per HAICHING, 1 p.m.
THURSDAY, August 19.
Philippine Islands, Sandakan, Australia and New Zealand via THURSDAY ISLAND—Per AKI MARU, Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.
FRIDAY, August 20.
Japan via Nagasaki—Per TANGO MARU, 10 a.m.
THURSDAY, August 24.
Shanghai, North China and Japan via Kobe—Per TAMBA MARU, 10 a.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only.

PINK SILK KIMONO CLUE.

A NEW YORK MYSTERY.

New York, June 19.—A mysterious young woman, referred to by the authorities as "Miss Wilson," but whose real name is not revealed, holds the key, it is believed, to the mystery of the death of Mr. Joseph Bowne Ellwell, the "whist wizard" and racing man who was found at his West Seventieth-street home with a bullet hole through his head.

A pink silk kimono found hidden in the murdered man's home is a clue that for a week has kept New York's force of official investigators engaged in the task of *chercher la femme*.

"Miss Wilson," who is from New Jersey, has admitted to the police that she was with Mr. Ellwell 48 hours before he met his death.

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THEATERS IN THE HOTELS.

HONGKONG HOTEL. BUDAPEST DUPES.

August 10.

The greatest swindle on record has just been discovered at Budapest. A high Hungarian official named Martin Jellinek, who was one of the Prime Minister's entourage, cheated a number of people, including skillful money speculators, of 450,000,000 crowns (nominally £18,000,000) and absconded with a forged British passport. At the beginning of April rumours circulated in Budapest that a certain amateur speculator was in a position to sell foreign money at a profit of 80 crowns below the ordinary rate of exchange. Business men were incredulous at first, but an order for the equivalent of a million crowns was promptly carried out, and the news was carefully spread. Jellinek declared that he could procure any sum of money as he was well acquainted with the *Extente* officers stationed in Budapest. In the middle of May his agents circulated the news that Jellinek was starting on a trip abroad for foreign money, and would return on June 1st. Bankers, aristocrats, wealthy women, and officials placed nearly 500,000,000 crowns at his disposal. They are still looking out for the swindler. There is no clue regarding his whereabouts. The only fact established is that he went away with 450,000,000 crowns. One woman, who has lost her whole fortune, committed suicide.

EXTRAVAGANT ACTRESS.

SCENE AT A THEATRE.

Certain influential women of Paris have for some time been economizing on their wearing apparel. This economy, applied to hosiery, gave the term of "cotton stocking" movement to the economy campaign in which so many fashionable women have engaged. The crusade brought about a demonstration at the Comedie Francaise where Cecile Sorel, the celebrated beauty and comedienne, appeared in a gown appraised at 33,000 rupees and with a string of pearls costing 100,000 rupees. The women present at the performance, who heretofore had followed the fashions set by the actress, arose as a sign of protest against the actress's extravagance and loudly shouted their disapproval, saying that Mlle. Sorel was deliberately defying the Government orders restricting the importation of luxuries. The actress in reply asserted that every and not the desire to save inspired the objections of the women.

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